

**GREATER CHRISTCHURCH URBAN
DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY (UDS) FORUM**

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE GREATER CHRISTCHURCH
URBAN DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY FORUM**

**Held in the Waitaki Room, Environment Canterbury Council Building, Christchurch
on Monday 15 May 2006 at 1 pm**

PRESENT:

Christchurch City Council

Councillors Bob Parker (Chairperson), Helen Broughton,
Sally Buck (until 2.15 pm) and Bob Shearing.

Environment Canterbury

Councillor Richard Budd

Selwyn District Council

Councillors Annette Foster and Debra Hasson

Waimakariri District Council

Councillors Kevin Felsted and Dan Gordon

KEY STAKEHOLDERS: Max Percasky (Palms Mall), Colin Knaggs (Transit New Zealand), Peter Townsend, Steve Collins (Chamber of Commerce), Dr Mel Briesman (Canterbury District Health Board) and Dr Simon Kingham (University of Canterbury)

Committee Secretary

Warren Brixton

APOLOGIES:

Apologies were received and accepted from Dr Morgan Williams, Sue Wells, Pam Richardson and Kath Adams.

1. MINUTES

It was **resolved** that the minutes of the previous meeting of 20 March 2006, as circulated, be taken as read and confirmed.

2. URBAN DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY IMPLEMENTATION TOOLBOX

Greg Batchelor of Boffa Miskell provided a PowerPoint presentation covering:

- Scope of presentation.
- Purpose of toolbox.
- Legislation links.
- Base case.
- Case studies.
- Effective tools.
- Future tools.

- Implementation tools framework.
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- Key tools.
- Concluding comments.
 - Current legislation provides a good operating environment for strategic growth management
 - Growth drivers are dynamic, implementation must be active and responsive to change.
 - Long term effectiveness is heavily dependent on co-operation, agreement and ongoing commitment by the key participants.
 - Important to implement strategy at the appropriate governance level.
 - Agreed assumptions about growth patterns critical to success, but carry high level of responsibility to get things right.

Questions and comments on the presentation included:

- Whether submissions had been made to each Council's LTCCP on the UDS strategy.
- How the alignment of development levy contributions between local authorities and similar issues with alignment were being handled.
- Whether engagement with central government would be from the bottom level up or the reverse.
- What "authority" was there to drive matters from both ends forward.
- Where was the UDS putting its effort in terms of community engagement including that of the tangata whenua.
- Who at the end of the day would be making the final decisions?
- Whether a summary could be included in the agenda as to where the various material is going and when it would be received back.

3. **FORUM UPDATE REPORT FROM PROJECT LEADERS**

The joint project leaders update report was received.

4. **URBAN DESIGN UPDATE**

In addition to the reports circulated, a sub-regional design programme was tabled detailing the urban design firm selected to undertake the programme and the key meeting dates.

It was **resolved** that the UDS forum:

1. Receive the report including the additional report tabled.
2. Note the issues arising.
3. Note the timeframe and dates for the briefing and input into the urban design process and development of the draft UDS strategy document.

5. **UDS CHARTER AND COMMUNICATION UPDATE**

Items 6 and 7 were taken in conjunction. Alice Ann Wetzel reported that:

- The charter had been received by all authorities to date other than the Selwyn District Council.
- The Christchurch Press was keen to do a two page spread on the Charter. On 12 June there would be a formal receiving and handing over of the charter to be held at the school above the Hallensteins building in central Christchurch.
- Newsletters would be used as part of the communication process and these would be sent to those on the substantial email database.

The verbal reports were noted and received.

6. **FORUM MEETING FREQUENCY**

It was **resolved** that the UDS Forum meet at 1pm on the following dates:

Monday 17 July
Monday 18 September
Monday 16 October
Monday 20 November
Monday 18 December

Key meeting dates would be both emailed and posted to members.

The meeting concluded at 2.48 pm.